## DECLARES BRITSH WATERS WAR ZONE

BERLIN GIVES NOTICE THAT ALL SHIPS ARE IN DANGER.

#### **GREAT BRITAIN TO RETALIATE**

Proposes to Adopt More Stringent Rules Concerning German Shipping - Protests Useless Death of Civilians.

Berlin.-The German admiralty issued the following communication: "The waters around Great Britain

and Ireland, including the whole of the English Channel, are declared a war zone from and after February 18,

"Every enemy ship found in this war zone will be destroyed, even if It is impossible to avert dangers which threaten crew and passengers.

"Also, neutral ships in the war zone are in danger, as in consequence of the misuse of neutral flags ordered by the British government on Jan. 31, and in view of the hazards of naval warfare it cannot always be avoided that attacks mean for enemy ships endanger neutral ships.

Shipping northward, around the Shetland Islands, in the eastern basin of the North Sea, and in a strip of at least 30 nautical miles in breadth along the Dutch coast is endangered in the same way."

May Enforce Retaliatory Measures. London Eng-The German admiralty, in declaring a war zone of the waters around Great Britain and Ire-3and, including the whole English Channel, from Feb. 18, announced that every enemy merchant ship found in this war zone will be destroyed.

even if it is not always possible to avoid dangers to crew and passengers. A warning is issued that neutral ships in the war zone are also in danger, and the state department at Washington has been notified by Geramany that American vessels should avoid the north and west coasts of France.

The British foreign office, in a statement bearing on Germany's ac tion, intimates that possibly Great Britain may undertake retaliatory measures, saying:

"The apparent intention of the German government to sink merchant ships by submarines, without bringing them into port or providing accommodation for their crews, and regardless of the loss of civilian lives, has raised very seriously the question whether Great Britain should adont more stringent measures against German trade." No decision has yet been taken on

### THREE MURDERERS HANGED

Responsible for Present Warlike Conditions Prevalent All Over Europe.

Amsterdam.-A Berlin dispatch received here says that the execution of three of the conspirators in the assassination of the Archduke Francis Ferdinand, heir apparent to the Austrian throne took place vesterday in the prison of the court fortress at Sarayevo, Bosnia.

The men put to death were Veljko Gubrilovic, Mieka Jovanovic and Danelo Illic

Gavrio Prinzip, the Bosnian student who actually slew the archduke and Baltimore & Ohio Train Leaves Rails his morganatic wife while they were visiting Sarayevo, is undergoing a sentence of 20 years' imprisonment to having been impossible on account of his youth to sentence him to death.

### **EARTHQUAKES JAR ENGLAND**

Coal Pits Made Unworkable and Many Are Injured-One

London, Eng.-Earth shocks occurred in a number of districts in

One miner was killed and many had narrow escapes, owing to the shaking down of coal in the pits. In some cases the pits were made unworkable by the fall of coal.

### Officer Arrested.

Danville, Ill.-When Deputy United States Marshal Parker went to Newton to arrest William Ellington for wiolating the liquor laws he was surprised to find that Ellington was the standing by. village marshal.

### B. & O. Buys Rails.

Baltimore.-Contracts were placed by the Baltimore & Ohio railroad for 25,000 tons of rails, closing options taken by the company a few weeks

Two Chinese Executed. Ossining, N. Y.-Lee Dock and Eng. Hing, two Chinese, were put to death in the electric chair at Sing Sing prison. Both were members of the Hip Sing Tong. They were convicted of the murder of Lee Kay.

Trains Stalled. Lincoln, Neb .- The blizzard in western and northern Nebraska spent itself before reaching the southeastern part of the state. In the western part of the state a gale swept the snow

into the cuts, stalling all trains,

Ball Player and Woman Held. Washington, Mo.-Clyde W. Hise, Jr., a ball player, and Miss Edna Bohner, both of Sandoval, Ill., are under arrest here. The couple ran away from Sandoval, and it is alleged have been Hving here as man and wife.

Physician Shot by Posse. Augusta, Ga.—Dr. A. C. Culberson, a practicing physician of Evans, Ga., was shot dead by a posse of citizens which had been searching for him. Culberson was charged with attacking a young married woman of Martinez, the vetoes,

LEADER IN NAVY SOCIAL CIRCLES



New photograph of Mrs. George Barnett, who, as the wife of the commandant of the United States marine corps, is one of the leading hostesses in the navy circle at Washington.

SENATE COMITTEE MAKES VARI-OUS APPROPRIATIONS.

East St. Louis Is Given \$95,000 for an Addition to the Federal Building.

Washington, D. C .- The senate rivers and harbors bill, carrying \$38,-000,000, which is \$4,000,000 more than likely that the measure will be considered in this session.

Among the increases in the senate bill are: Mississippi River, from head of passes to mouth of Ohio, from \$5,000,-000 to \$6,000,000. The latter, figure

has been regularly appropriated. Mississippi River from mouth of Ohio to mouth of Missouri-St. Louis each-from \$1,200,000 to \$1,500,000. The Missouri River appropriation from Kansas City to the mouth re-

mains at \$1,300,000. An aggregate of \$125,928,018 is car ried in the sundry civil appropriation

bill reported to the house. East St. Louis is given \$95,000 for commencement of the addition to the federal building and \$12,000 for rental

#### FREE SOUPHOUSE IN DETROIT

of temporary quarters.

Established and Maintained by Knights of the Round Table, a Dining Club.

Detroit, Mich.-A welfare restau rant, where the hungry may obtain a large bowl of soup, thick and nourishing soup, with plenty of ment and vegetables and bread, will be opened here soon. The restaurant will be an adjunct of the City Welfare bureau. and will be manned by men now in the employ of the city. It will be open 24 hours a day, and no questions will be asked. Hunger will be the only ticket necessary.

The restaurant will be maintained by the Knights of the Round Table, House Bill Is Passed by Upper Body an organization of about 40 men, who lunch daily at the Detroit club. The local situation was canvassed at a luncheon, and \$1,000 a month for three months was pledged.

## WRECK NEARLY DROWNS 17

Near Beardstown, Coach Going Into Stream.

Beardstown, Illinois. - The day coach of the Baltimore & Ohio southvestern train which left here for Springfield, jumped a switch at a siding, rolled into a ditch containing four feet of water and nine of its 17 occupants were injured, several nar-

rowly escaping drowning. Lyman Catron, a 4-year-old boy, riding with his parents, was caught under a seat and only an arm was visible above the water when rescuers reached him.

H. E. Davidson of Paxton extricated the boy, who was revived

### American Cruiser Aground.

Esenada, Mexico.-The American steamer Colon has grounded on the bar at the entrance to the harbor of Topolobampo. The United States cruiser Maryland responded to her wireless calls for help and is now

Sentenced for \$35,000 Theft. New York,-William V. Thompson, former confidential secretary of William L. Harkness of the Standard Oil Co., who pleaded guilty to stealing \$35,000 from his employer, got an indeterminate sentence in Sing Sing.

Arkansas Goes Dry. Little Rock, Ark.-The state-wide prohibition bill, which would declare Arkansas a dry state after Jan. 1. 1916, was passed by the senate of Arkansas legislature by a vote of

32 to 2.

Work on Teeth Kills Banker. Chicago.-Edward Tilden, packer and banker, died suddenly at his home of throat trouble. Dr. C. P. Caldwell, campaign to find work for the unemhis physician, stated that death was | ployed, it was announced. Policemen caused by blood poison traced to bridgework in his teeth.

Constable Held as Bandit. Mount Vernon, III.-Constable Nelson Wood of Casner township, Jefferson county, is charged with attempting to hold up John Champ, Burlington night agent at Woodlawn. Wood a fortnight's illness. She was born in says it was a joke.

Anti-Liquor Bill Vetoed. Mobile, Ga .- Gov. Henderson vetoed the senate anti-liquor shipping bill and the senate anti-liquor advertising on to her from the wake of vessel bill. A special message saying both were unconstitutional accompanied lows went to the bottom of Lake

### PARENTS SENT TO PRISON

Husband Is Sentenced to Term in Sing Sing and Wife Is Ordered to Auburn.

New York, N. Y.,-Judge Rosalski sentenced Frederick Haefner to five years in Sing Sing and his wife to five years in Auburn prison for the abandonment of their children. This is the couple which recently abandoned committee on commerce reported the their two boys, one 4 and the other 21/2 years old, in the arcade of a department store, with a pathetic note that the bill passed by the house. It is un- the father was out of work and down to his last cent.

Publication of the facts brought scores of offers of help, which prompted the Haefners to come forward and claim the children. Investigation developed that they previously had abandoned two other children, one of which, an infant in arms, was placed in a baby carriage on a cold, rainy day and died of pneumonia as a result. This changed the sympathy to indignation, and the couple were prosecuted for the abandonments. The pleaded guilty. Mrs. Haefner asked for mercy on the ground that she loved her boys, but her prayer was

#### TRANSPORT REPORTED SUNK

Former Cunard Liner Campania Alleged to Have Been Torpedoed by Germans.

New York, N. Y .- The New York Tribune prints this morning a rumor from Washington to the effect that the former Cunard liner Campania which is now being used as a British transport, has been torpedoed by a German submarine in the English Channel.

Local officials of the Cunard line say there is absolutely no truth in the report. The last heard of the Campania was on Jan. 15, when she went into dry dock to be refitted as a

### ARKANSAS SENATE GOES DRY

After Being Much Amended.

Little, Rock, Arkansas.-The state wide prohibition bill, which would declare Arkansas a dry state after Jan. 1, 1916, was passed by the senate of Arkansas legislature by a vote of 33 to 2 yesterday. The bill was passed by the house Feb. 1 to take effect June 1, and, as amended by the senate, will be sent back to the house immediately.

The governor already has expressed himself in favor of the measure.

U. S. Has Plenty of Wheat.

Chicago, Ill.-In view of President Wilson's argument that the country should pool its interests, and the general cry that the wheat supply of the United States is in danger of be ing exhausted, B. W. Snow, crop expert of international standing, says there is no need of an embargo. He says that the distribution of the wheat crop is so uniform and the records of movement are so complette that it is possible to keep reasonably accurate track of the crop, its supply and disappearance.

Coon Whips Bulldog. Cummins, Kan.-A 22-pound coon in a pitched battle with a buildog, witnessed by many spectators here. whipped the dog after a half hour's struggle for its life. The dog belonged to Dr. J. J. Rhodes of this place.

Earth Tremor at Harrisburg, III. Harrisburg, Ill,-A slight earth tremor was felt here. No damage

Americans Invited to London. London.-Certain leaders of London society, among them the Duchess of Marlborough, Mrs. John Astor and Lady Paget, have started a movement to induce wealthy Americans of the social-elect to visit London

Help Men Get Work.

Chicago .- Members of Chicago's police force have been enlisted in the were instructed to call at factories and business houses and look for pobs.

Famous Novelist Dead. London,-Mary Elizabeth Braddon the English novelist, author of "Lady Audley's Secret," died at her residence at Richmond-on-Thames, after London in 1837.

Chicago.—Both her sides crushed in by huge ice floes that surged back ahead, the Goodrich line steamer

# LUSITANIA ORDERED POOR CHILDREN TO FLY U.S. FLAG TO BE GLOTHED

CAPTAIN HAD WORD FORM BRIT- APPLIES ONLY TO ST. LOUIS ISH ADMIRALTY, IT IS REPORTED.

TO SAVE SHIP AND CARGO MET WITH SOME OPPOSITION

Hold That Any Ships May Use Any Flag If Thereby Lives of Neutrals Are Made Safer-U. S. to Protest.

London, England.-The use of the American flag by the British steamer Lusitania of the Cunard line in its voyage across the Irish sea has proused great interest, and, although it did not mention this instance specifically, the British foreign office issued a statement dealing with such usage in a general way.

It argues that the only effect in the case on a merchantman flying a neutral flag would be to compel a belligerent ship to investigate the nationality of the vessel and the character of her cargo before capturing her.

Foreign Office Statement. It is pointed out also that by the merchant shipping act of 1894 foreign vessels are permitted to use the Pritish colors for the purpose of escaping capture.

Officials here held strongly to the view that, in the use of a neutral flag, British ships, bearing neutral passengers, particularly Americans, are fully justified in taking whatever measures are deemed necessary to save life.

The United States will enter a formal protest.

INTERESTING QUESTION IN AL-MIRALTY PROCEDURE.

Mexico Could Interne Japanese Ship's Officers Who Landed There-United States Vessels Aid.

San Diego, California.-The Japanese cruiser Asama, which struck an unchartered rock off the western coast of Lower California, according to information reaching here, is a complete wreck. Two United States cruisers are reported to be standing by the vessel and two Japanese warships speeding to it to assist the crew. An interesting question in admiral-

ty procedure has arisen over the wreck. Under a strict interpretation of the neutrality laws, Mexico, it is pointed out, has a right to intern the officers and men of the Asama who landed on Mexican soil, until the end of the European war. At the same time the United Sattes warships or ships of other neutral nations may assist in the saving of life from the wrecked Japanese cruiser, it is said. but they can render no assistance toward salvaging the ship or her gear without violating the neutrality laws.

The San Diego and Raleigh, it is reported, will stand by the Asama until the arrival of the Japanese warships. They will then return to San Diego.

### WORLD'S "LARGEST MAN" DIES

"Handsome Harry" of the Circus Weighed 751 Pounds-Death Caused by Heart Allment.

Washington, D. C .- Harry Coleman, known in the circus world as "Handsome Harry," the largest man in the world," is dead. Coleman, who weighed 750 pounds, died of fatty degeneration of the heart.

Coleman was unmarried. Six years ago he weighed 165 pounds. When he recovered from an attack of typhoid fever his weight began to increase rapidly.

Five Bankers Guilty of Fraud. Memphis, Tenn.-George E. Neuhardt, president, and four other former officers of the Chickasaw Bank and Trust company, were found guilty of misuse of the mails.

### Finds Bomb Near Bridge,

St. John, N. B .- Much excitement was caused here by what appeared to be an attempt to blow up the suspension bridge over the St. John river between this city and Fairville. A watchman on the bridge discovered a nitro glycerine bomb at the base of one of the big pillars of the bridge.

Nurses Escape Fire.

Springfield, Ill.-Twelve nurses at the state hospital at Lincoln, Ill., had a narrow escape when fire destroyed the dormitory in which they were sleeping. The building was the only frame structure at the institution. The loss is \$5,000.

Ogden Claimant Ends Life. Houston, Tex.-T. S. Earl, who claimed the estate of the late multimillionaire, Francis A. Ogden, formerly of Madison, Wis., by virtue of a holographic will, was found drowned in a water tank at his home.

Girl Soldier Decorated. Petrograd.-Natalie Tychinni. high school girl of Kiev, has received the decoration of the Order of St. George for service at the front. Under a heavy fire at Optatow the girl carried ammunition to the trenches,

Filipino Admits Sedition. Manila.-Rufino Vicente, one of the leaders accused of instigating the Filipino raid on the government offices at Navotas on Christmas eve, pleaded guilty on trial here on the charge of sedition.

Jefferson State Favored. Austin, Tex.-A resolution to create out of the panhandle of West Texas a new state named Jefferson was reported to the state senate. During debate both sides announced they did not expect adoption of the resolution.

CHILDREN BETWEEN AGES OF 6 AND 15.

Attitude of School Board Not Known on Subject-Passed House and Engrossed by Vote of 87 to 41 on Roll Call.

Jefferson City. The house has sent to engrossment house bill No. 396 (Moroney), providing that the school board of St. Louis shall furnish free shoes and clothing to all indigent school children between the ages of 6 and 15 years, after a fight on the floor by several St. Louis members.

The house amended the bill, eliminating its original provision that "all persons" up to "20 years" be supplied with shoes and clothing. Representatives Pearcy and Bittner

of St. Louis opposed the measure on the ground that the bill would place an unknown amount of tax on the city of St. Louis and they did not know the attitude of the school board in the mattter.

Representatives Moroney, Robert on and Chaney spoke for the bill, which makes it mandatory upon the school board to furnish the clothing. A roll call was demanded by Mr. Parker, and the bill was engrossed by a vote of 87 to 41.

The bill was favored by the Central Trades and Labor Union of St. Louis.

Col. Bill's Grouch.

The purchase by the Missourl State university of an automobile for President A. Ross Hill of that institution without special authority of the state legislature resulted in the passage of a bill in the senate, introduced by Col. 'Bill" Phelps of Carthage, which requires that hereafter all money drawn from the state by any state institution, from either the revenue fund or the collateral inheritance tax fund. must be drawn only on warrants approved by the state auditor.

This is the second bout which Col. Bill" has had with the state university, the first occurring over the hog serum. The Phelps bill passed the senate by a vote of 26 to 5.

President Hill of Missouri State university, when in Jefferson City two weeks ago, admitted the automobile had been bought by the university from its "supply" fund.

Various Appropriations. Following are the sums asked and the sums received by the various

| charitable institutions                                     | maintair             | ned by  |
|---|----------------------|---------|
| the state:  |                      |         |
|   | mmended<br>Visitors. |         |
| State Hospital No. 1.<br>Fulton \$<br>State Hospital No. 2. | 118,482 \$           | 106,490 |
| St. Joseph  | 139,680              | 124,680 |
| State Hospital No. 3,<br>Nevada                             | 100,260              | 134,860 |
| State Hospital No. 4,<br>Farmington                         | 120,550              | 146,750 |
| School for the Deaf.<br>Fulton                              | 266,000              | 242,500 |
| School for the Blind,<br>St. Louis                          | 100,698              | 107.928 |
| Industrial Home for<br>Girls, Chillicothe                   | 122,900              | 126,400 |
| Training School for<br>Hoys, Boonville                      | 171,200              | 150,200 |
| Confederate Soldiers'<br>Home, Higginsville.                | 113,727              | 114,487 |
| Federal Soldiers' Home,<br>St. James                        | 86,550               | 87,650  |
| Colony for Feeble-<br>Minded, Marshali                      | 279,450              | 285,250 |
| Mo. State Sanitorium,<br>Mt. Vernon                         | 215,700              | 218,700 |
| Industrial Home for<br>Negroes, Tipton                      | 71,317               | 65,035  |

Totals ......\$1,849,515 \$1,910,930 Precinct Option Bill.

A precinct option bill was recom mended for passage by the election committee of the house by a vote of 5 to 3. This is the big measure the drys will champion in the legislature. It applies to every city of more than 2,000 population, and is designed to give the drys a weapon with which to drive the saloons out of the residence districts.

The measure provides that when a majority of the voters sign a petition against the granting of a saloon license in a precinct and file it with the body that has authority to grant dramshop licenses no license can be granted for four years and the saloons in the precinct must get out of business.

Representative John C. Robertson, who introduced the measure, said he favored it because it would eliminate the saloons in the residential districts of St. Louis and other cities.

Flood Prevention.

record.

A resolution offered by Senator Cain memoralizing congress to complete the work of preventing floods in the lowlands along the Mississippi river was unanimously adopted by the

Workmen's Compensation. Representative Wash Adams of Greene county introduced the Houts employers' workmen's compensation

plan eliminated. "Fish" Is Seated. Felix (Fish) McAdams, who was elected to the lower house to fill a vacancy, was sworn in as a member. despite the opposition of Republican

leaders who are opposed to his police

bill. This measure is copied after the

Michigan law, with the commission

Investigators Need Money. The Democrats of the lower house clashed on the adoption of a resolution to appropriate \$10,000 for investigating the various offices, following he Deal report charging departmental extravagance.

Pen Appropriation. There will be available for the one ration and maintenance of the state penitentiary for the next two years \$1,222,954, under the provisions of the bill introduced in the house by the ap-

propriations committee.

End of Contract System in Sight.

Radical changes in the system of operating the Missouri penitentiary are provided in the report of the special committee appointed by the senate two years ago, of which State lenator C. P. Hawkins of Dunklin is chairman, Among Its provisions

are these:

The abolition of the contract system forever, and forbidding a renewal of the contracts which expire the present year.

The construction of a reformatory for first offenders.

Establishing the electric chair for viminals sentenced to death and requiring all executions to take place in the penitentiary.

The purchase of four convict farms in different parts of the state, and

making provisions for working approximately 1,000 convicts on the highways in season. A continuation of the employment of a part of the convicts in making wares within the prison walls, but

the state to own all the plants and retain the profits. This could be extended to take in all the manufacturing plants now operated in the priosn by contractors, with the state as pro- larly. prietor.

Two States Wrangle.

Charles G. Revelle, state insurance commissioner, returned from Texas and at once issued a request for an Hord of Graham. Mrs. Hord's death investigation of the charges of Insurance Commissioner Potts of Illinois that O. B. Ryan or the insurance companies influenced the preparation of the report of the Missouri insur-

He declared he would pay the costs of the inquiry and resign at once if the allegations were substantlated and demanded the same course by Poots if the charges were not proved true.

The bill for Missouri, which has been attacked by Insurance Superintendent Potts of Illinois as being drawn "in the interest of the combine," apparently is the measure which will bring about the long expected break in the administration forces in the senate and house, which so far have worked in harmony with

the governor. Senator John F. Morton of Richmond, who agreed to stand sponsor for several of Gov. Major's measures, announced that he would oppose the administration program of insurance legislation. He denounced the bill along much the same lines as did Supt. Potts.

First Dry Measure to House.

With a favorable report by the house criminal jurisprudence committee on a 9 o'clock closing bill for saloons, the first active step in the dry legislation was taken.

In anticipation of the favorable report, dry members held a caucus to decide upon concerted action on the anti-saloon legislative program. The saloon closing bill provides that

saloons shall close at 9 p. m. and shall not open before 6 a. m. The caucus discussed a plan to se lect several of the saloon bills and concentrate all efforts of the "drys" on these bills. A majority, however, favored pushing all bills and that plan

was adopted.

Ask Change in Law. Fish Commissioner Jesse B. Jones urged the passage of bills making died at Marshall the other morning. Making the open season for quall shooting from Nov. 10 to Dec. 31: changing the beginning of the open season for shooting doves from Sept. 1 to Aug. 1, and the season for shooting squirrels from July I to June 1: prohibiting fishing of all kinds in the waters of the Missouri except by ordinary angling during April, May and June:

To Bid for Decorations. The Daughters of the Confederacy. Daughters of 1812, the St. Louis Art league and the St. Louis Artists' guild are urging that the new statehouse be properly decorated. A bill has been drafted asking that the state appropriate \$25,000 for a competition in which artists from all over the world will be asked to submit designs to embellish the interior of the capitol.

in the senate.

Compensation Act. All the members of the Missouri house believe some compensation bill should be passed at this session, but none is satisfied with the compromise measure now under consideration. It'c too strong for employers and the

To Reorganize Board. The state board of agriculture will be completely reorganized and the dean of state agricultural college be made an ex-officio member thereof. under the terms of a bill introduced

workmen would like it stronger.

Plans Divorce Proctor. Representative Wilkinson is eager to end the congestion of the courts in cities with populations ranging from 250,000 to 500,0000 by the appointment

of a divorce proctor. Boom for Ozark, Mo. A new measure by Senator Bronson is designed, as he explained it, "to increase the population of the town of Ozark, Mo." It provides that any firm.

company or corporation or business

using the name of a town or city must

maintain an office in the same. Rural Credity.

Senator Phelps has introduced two measures in the senate for the establishment of a system of rural credits and farm loans. Both have a fine

chance to pass. Pay for Anguish. George Safford of St. Louis appeared before the senate insurance committee, and does not favor any compensation act which does not allow compensation for suffering, mental anguish and disfigurement.

Opposed to Change. Opposition to the advance plan of penitentiary reform recommended the senate committee which made its report has already developed among professional politicians and appointes of Gov. Major.

#### HAPPENINGS of the week IN MISSOURI

A complaint filed before the public service commission by citizens living in the vicinity of St. Catherine has created much interest through Central North Missouri. The complaint. was filed last fall against the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company, charging the company maintains a deadly and dangerous grade crossing over its line of railroad at St. Catherine, Linn County and a viaduct over the railroad is asked for. The complaint was heard by the com missioners' court at Linneus, November 20.

The Rev. T. H. Harland and Mrs. Harland celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary with a family reunion and dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Harland have resided in Carterville nearly forty years. Although 76 years old, the husband still preaches regu-

While Mrs. Ann King was celebrating her 83d birthday at her home in Clinton, word was received of the death of her daughter, Mrs. Nancy E. is the first break in five generations. Mrs. King has sixty-one living descendants.

. . . Prof. J. T. Ourten, for sixteen years president of West Plains College, is dead. He was 72 years old. He came from Morrisville, where he taught in the Scarritt-Morrisville College. A widow and two daughters survive. . . .

S. L. Kies, 28 years old, cashier in

the Sedalia freight offices of the Mis-

souri, Kansas & Texas, was arrested

recently, charged with a shortage in his accounts of about \$5,200 and has Mrs. Theresa Jones, Brookfield's oldest citizen, died there the other

night. She was 99 years old. Mr. and Mrs. James Fullerton celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at their home in Chillicothe recently. Seven of their nine children were present. They have been residents at Livingston county for the last forty-seven years. Mr. Fullerton is 79 and his wife 73 years old.

Prinn Brooks, said to be the heaviest man in the world, is dead at Higbee. Brooks is said to have weighed 811 pounds before he was taken ill with pneumonia, which caused his death. For years Brooks had traveled with circuses, and had been all over the United States. William Calloway of Waterloo, ia.,

ing Company plant from the Rankin interests. Fred M. Ashe is retained as general manager. The buyers will add fifty men to the force at once. The plant manufacturers farm implements and gasoline engines. Judge John W. Sparks, 81 years old.

formerly a member of the Saline

has bought the Midland Manufactur-

County Court and also city assesor, Eva Tooley, 15 years old, a student of the Bohannon District School, won the Macon County gold medal for being the best speller in a class of sixteen from all parts of the county. Each contestant represented a township. There were only three boys in the line. The match lasted all the afternoon. Some of the words were

very difficult. The jitney craze has struck Lexington. Raymond Payne inaugurated the movement and is doing a big busi-

With only his head and shoulders protruding from dirt and rocks that imprisoned him when a cave-in occurred in a zinc mine where he was working, Thomas French, 35 years old, directed a force of men who labored several hours to rescue him. He was standing upright in the drift, with a huge boulder at either side of his head and his body from shoulders down covered by the debris. Whether he can survive is problematical. A physician was lowered into the shaft and administered to him, but the pressure of rock and dirt was so terrible it is not believed he can withstand

At the primary election at Versailles to elect a postmaster, P. H. Kidwell received sixty-eight votes, being three more than W. B. Todd, his closest competitor. There were thirteen candidates in the field and 342 votes cast. J. B. Gooding, 68 years old is dead

at his home at La Plata. For eight

years he was clerk of Macon county.

He was vice-president of the Bank of La Plata. Fire started in the Catholic Church at Montgomery just after the congregation assembled for services. The flames burst through the floor near the altar as Father Aylward was about to open the services. The congregation rushed out, but no one was

injured. The highest price ever paid for zinc ore was reached when blds reached \$65, basis of 60 per cent metalic zinc. That means ores running 63 per cent in metalic zinc brought up to \$68 a ton.

Charles Wilkey, a farmer living near Palmyra, was, recently found frozen so badly that it will probably result in his death. He has no relatives in this part of the country and has been living by himself. He was taken ill and became unable to keep up the fire. When he was found one leg was frozen and had to be amputa ted above the knes. Wilkey is said to be worth from \$40,000 to \$50,000.

John C. Crawley, 88 years old, is dead at the home of his daughter. Mrs. Theo Woods in Keytesville.